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April 22, 1983

Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

In the Matter of the) Docket Nos. 50-259
Tennessee Valley Authority) 50-260
50-296

By letter from D. G. Eisenhut to All BWR Licensees dated January 10, 1983 (Generic Letter No. 83-02) we were requested to submit technical specifications as required by certain NUREG-0737 items. Enclosed is our response to the NUREG-0737 items listed in Enclosure 1 of the generic letter for the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

L. M. Mills
L. M. Mills, Manager
Nuclear Licensing

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 22nd day of April 1983.

Bryant M. Lawrence
Notary Public
My Commission Expires 4/3/86

Enclosure

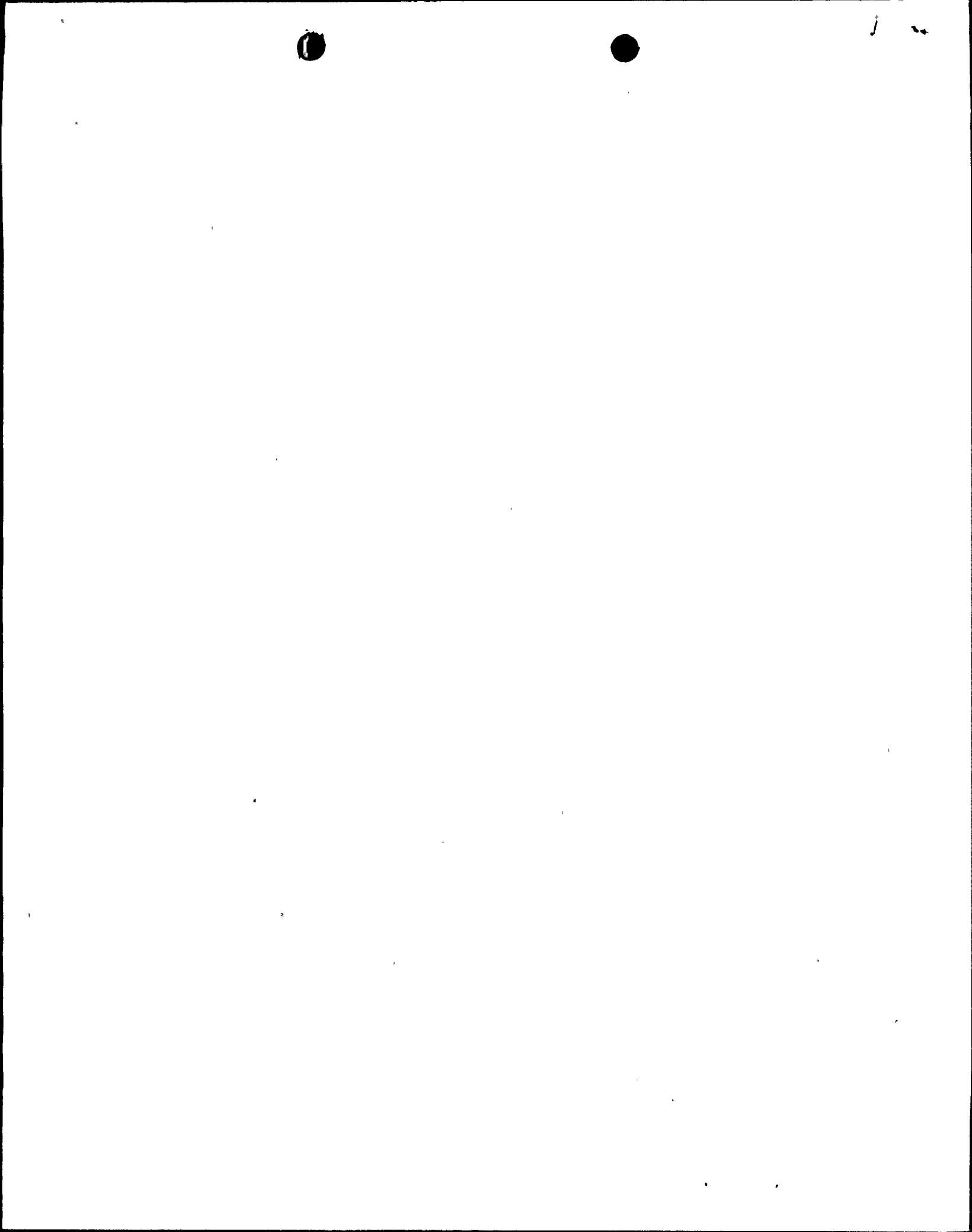
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ENCLOSURE
RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER NO. 83-02
DATED JANUARY 10, 1983
BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT

1. STA Training (1.A.1.1.3)

Technical specifications incorporating the qualification, training, and on-duty requirements of the shift technical advisors were approved and issued on July 18, 1981.

2. Limit Overtime (I.A.1.3)

In a letter from T. A. Ippolito to H. G. Parris dated December 8, 1981, the TVA policy for limitation of overtime was found acceptable. TVA is in the process of updating this policy to more generally meet the revised guidelines provided in June 15, 1982 commission policy sentence (generic letter 82-12). We do not believe that including our administratively controlled overtime limits in the technical specifications will have any impact on safe plant operation. Consequently, we do not plan to submit technical specifications.

3. Dedicated Hydrogen Penetrations (II.E.4.1)

Technical specifications are to be submitted as appropriate when modifications are performed.

4. Containment Pressure Setpoints (II.E.4.2.5)

Justification for not changing the setpoint was provided in TVA letters from L. M. Mills to H. R. Denton dated December 23, 1980 and August 10, 1981. No further actions are required.

5. Containment Purge Valves (II.E.4.2.6)

As noted in enclosure 1 to generic letter 83-02, the technical specifications for this item are being handled separately.

6. Radiation Signal on Purge Valves (II.E.4.2.7)

Technical resolution of this item is not completed; therefore, technical specifications are not required.

7. Reporting SRV Failures and Challenges (II.K.3.3)

TVA anticipates submitting technical specification changes that will include reporting of SRV challenges in the annual operating reporting section in July 1983. It is our belief that section 6.7.2 (reportable occurrences) of the Browns Ferry technical specification already meets the reporting requirement for SRV failures.

8. RCIC Restart and RCIC Suction - (II.K.3.13, II.K.3.22)

1. Appropriate technical specifications covering the RCIC restart will be submitted after modifications are complete.

2. Technical specifications are not required since the addition of an automatic switchover of RCIC suction is believed to be unnecessary as discussed in TVA letter from L. M. Mills to H. R. Denton dated December 23, 1980.
9. Isolation of HPCI and RCIC Modifications (II.K.3.15)

Browns Ferry units 2 and 3 technical specifications were issued in amendments 85 (issued March 11, 1983) and 51 (issued March 29, 1982), respectively.

Unit 1 technical specifications will be submitted after modifications are complete.

10. Interlock on Recirculation Pump Loops (II.K.3.19)

NA - Browns Ferry is a jet pump plant.

11. Common Reference Level (II.K.3.27)

NA - Browns Ferry technical specifications do not contain a figure defining reactor water levels.

12. Manual Depressurization (II.K.3.45)

NA - Staff does not require any modification in plant design.

